

U.S. Representative Tom Allen (D-Maine)

Biography



Since first elected to the House of Representatives in 1996, Tom Allen has fought to protect and promote core Maine values. He was the first Member of Congress to introduce legislation to make life-saving prescription drugs affordable for older Americans. Tom has led the opposition to policies that foul the air we breathe and the oceans, lakes and rivers that sustain us. He has worked to make federal tax and budget choices more responsible and fair, and to invest in our future by fully funding the federal share for special education, the No Child Left Behind Act and homeland security. Tom recently received a coveted appointment to the House Budget Committee. He also serves on the influential House Committee on Energy & Commerce and co-chairs the House Affordable Medicines Task Force and the Bipartisan House Oceans Caucus. A Maine native, Tom graduated from Bowdoin College, Oxford University (which he attended as a Rhodes Scholar) and Harvard Law School. Tom and his wife Diana have two grown daughters and a cranky but devoted beagle named Peta.